

Annual Report

OF THE TOWN OF

WENTWORTH

NEW HAMPSHIRE



YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR 1947

C. Earl Gove	Selectman, 1 year
Charles H. Brown	Selectman, 2 years
Carroll J. Stevens	Selectman, 3 years
Olive M. Belyea	Town Clerk
Lottie M. McLaughlin	Treasurer
Richard L. Downing	Tax Collector
Harold Matava	Road Agent
William A. Morrison	Road Agent
Grover C. Breck	Chief of Police
Richard L. Downing,	Police Officer
Grover C. Breck	Constable
Alson L. Brown	Health Officer
Alson L. Brown	Town Trustee, one year
Grover C. Breck	Trustee 2 years
Claud B. Evans	Town Trustee 3 years
Mae Scholtz	Library Trustee 1 year
Melissa Breck	Library Trustee 2 yrs
Clyde Brown	Library Trustee 3 yrs
Ben B. Foster	Auditor
Myron Ostrander	Auditor

ELECTION OFFICERS FOR 1947

William Morrison	Moderator
Ben B. Foster	Supervisor of the Checklist
Anson B. Tuttle,	Supervisor of the Checklist
Charles A. Gilbert	Supervisor of the Checklist

Town Meeting Warrant

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Wentworth in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs: (L*S)

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said Wentworth on Tuesday, the ninth (9th.) day of March, next, at nine of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

A. To vote for delegates at large, alternate delegate at large, delegates and alternate delegates to the National Conventions.

B. To vote for delegate to the Convention to revise the Constitution.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray town charges for the year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for town highways and bridges for the ensuing year. (summer and winter)

4. To see if the Town will vote to accept State Aid Construction of Class V roads and raise and appropriate or set aside for said purpose the sum of \$506.79, the State to contribute \$2,027.14.

5. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for street lights.

6. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the maintenance of the Library.

7. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the care of the fire truck and for a building to house the same.

8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum not exceeding one one hundredth of one percent (1-100 of 1%) of the assessment of 1947 for the purpose of publishing and promoting the natural advantages and resources of the Town, together with other towns in the Dartmouth Lake Sunapee Region. (\$45.88)

9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for the white pine blister rust control.

10. To see if the Town will vote to give a discount on all real estate and personal property taxes, (total or partial) paid two weeks after presentation of bill, and add 20 cents to poll taxes not paid before December 1.

11. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to hire money in anticipation of taxes.

12. To see how much money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for a War Service Memorial.

13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to transfer lien or to convey any property by deed, under such conditions as may be specified by the town meeting any real estate acquired by town at a Tax Collector's sale.

14. To see if the Town will vote to secure State Bridge Aid to build a new bridge and approaches to replace the old wooden bridge called the Whitcher Bridge on the North Dorchester road and raise and appropriate money for same.

15. To see if the Town will vote to buy a booster pump and tank for fire engine, and raise and appropriate money for same.

16. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 21st day of February, in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and forty-eight.

C. EARL GOVE,
CHARLES H. BROWN,
CARROLL J. STEVENS,

Selectmen of Wentworth

A true copy of Warrant—Attest:

C. EARL GOVE,
CHARLES H. BROWN,
CARROLL J. STEVENS,

Selectmen of Wentworth

BUDGET

Budget of the Town of Wentworth, New Hampshire
 Estimates of Revenue and Expenditures for the Ensuing
 Year January 1, 1948 to December 31, 1948 Compared with
 Actual Revenues and Expenditures of the Previous Year
 January 1, 1947 to December 31, 1947

Sources of Revenue	Actual 1947	Estimated 1948
From State:		
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$122.86	122.86
Railroad Tax	124.44	124.44
Savings Bank Tax	168.12	168.12
Reimbursement a-c State and		
Federal forest lands	337.55	489.46
For Fighting Forest Fires	1,993.00	679.44
National Forest Reserve	145.31	99.12
From Local Sources Except Taxes:		
Buisness Licenses and Permits	3.00	
Rent of Town Hall	9.00	
Interest Received on Taxes and Deposits	65.42	
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	443.89	500.00
Sale of Town Property	229.52	500.00
Temporary Loan	3,500.00	
From Local Taxes Other Than Property Taxes :		
Poll Taxes-Regular at \$2	232.00	200.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	3.00	3.00
Total Revenue from all Sources	\$7,377.11	2,886.44
Except Property Taxes		
Amount to be Raised by		
Property Taxes		20,724.57
Total Revenues		\$23,611.01

Current Maintenance Expenses

Purpose of Expenditure	Actual 1947	Estimated 1948
General Government:		
Town Officers' Salaries	\$1,050.58	1,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	505.72	350.00
Election and Registration Expenses	52.00	225.00
Expenses Town Hall and other bldgs.	121.78	75.00
Protection of Persons and Property:		
Police Department	35.50	30.00
Fire Department	5,476.59	
Moth Extermination		400.00
Health:		
Health Department	37.60	15.00
Vital Statistics	12.00	15.00
Highways and Bridges:		
Town Maintenance, Summer & Winter	4,923.57	4,000.00
Street Lighting	650.00	600.00
Town Road Aid	504.73	506.79
Library:		
Maintenance	300.00	300.00
Public Welfare:		
Town Poor	652.00	400.00
Old Age Assistance	870.31	1,200.00

Patriotic Purposes:

War Service Memorial	500.00
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Recreation:

Parks and Playgrounds	8.00
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Unclassified:

Advertising and Regional Associations	45.88
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Interest:

On temporary loan	8.75
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Highways and Bridges:

State Aid Construction-Town's Share	3,363.98	5,000.00
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Payment on Principal of Debt:

Temporary loans	3,500.00	
Deficit of previous year		1,248.26

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

County Taxes	1,347.17	1,280.08
Payments to School District	6,164.13	6,440.00

Total Expenditures	\$29,584.41	23,631.01
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INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF WENTWORTH

1947

Lands and Buildings	\$24,0259.00
Growing Wood and Timber	\$ 15,638.00
Electric Plants	170,980.00
Horses, 45	5,450.00
Cows, 119	11,965.00
Other Neat Stock, 29	2,590.00
Fowls, 724	905.00
Portable Mills, 2	2,300.00
Wood. Lumber, etc.,	1,398.00
Gasoline Pumps and Tanks	370.00
Stock in Trade	6,655.00
Mills and Machinery	300.00
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TOTAL VALUATION	\$458,810.00
Poll taxes, 185 at \$2.00	370.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	3.00
Total Amount of taxes to be committed to Collector including Town Taxes, Poll taxes and National Bank Stock taxes	\$21,113.21
Average rate of taxation per \$100.00	4.52
Amount of property exempted to soldiers	19,800.00
Number of inventories sent out	300
Number of inventories returned	240

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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

C. EARL GOVE,
CARROLL J. STEVENS
June 24, 1947

CHARLES H. BROWN
Selectmen of Wentworth

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND

TAXES ASSESSED, 1947

Town Officers Salaries	\$950.00
Town Officers Expenses	350.00
Election and Registration Expense	52.00
Town Hall and Buildings	75.00
Police Department	25.00
Fire Department	1,000.00
Health Department	15.00
Vital Statistics	15.00
State Aid Construction-Bridge	1,000.00
Town Road Aid	504.73
Town Maintenance	5,000.00
Street Lighting	600.00
Libraries	300.00
Old Age Assistance	800.00
Town Poor	1,500.00
War Service Memorial	500.00
Parks and Playgrounds	175.00
County Tax	1,347.17
School Tax	7,939.64

Total Town and School Appropriations	\$22,148.54
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Less Estimated Revenues and Credits:

Interest and Dividend Tax	110.00
Railroad Tax	111.00
Savings Bank Tax	182.00
Reimbursement A-c State and Federal lands	300.00
Motor Vehicle Permit fees	300.00
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	200.00

Total Revenues and Credits

1,203.00

\$20,945.54

Plus Overlay	165.57
Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation	21,111.21
Less Poll Taxes at \$2.00	370.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	3.00
	373.00
Amount to be Raised by Property taxes on which tax rate is figured	\$20,738.21
Taxes to be Committed to Collector:	
Property taxes	20,738.21
Poll taxes at \$2.00	370.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	3.00
Added Tax (after completion of warrant)	2.00
Total Taxes to be Committed	\$21,113.21
Tax Rate \$ 4.52	

FINANCIAL REPORT

OF THE TOWN OF WENTWORTH

Fiscal Year Ending December 31, 1947

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C. EARL GOVE,
CHARLES H. BROWN,
CARROLL J. STEVENS,
Selectmen

February 21, 1948

LOTTIE M. McLAUGHLIN,
Treasurer

Town of Wentworth	Assets
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Cash:

In hands of Treasurer	\$2,594.34
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Accounts Due to Town:**Due From State:**

Joint Highway Account, Unexp. Bal in State Treas.	10.29
Balance due on fire bills	679.44

Unredeemed Taxes:

Levy of 1946	231.96
Levy of 1945	131.31
Previous years	439.03

Uncollected Taxes:

Levy of 1947	3,332.77
Levy of 1946	48.60
Levy of 1945	118.24

Total Assets	\$7,585.98
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Net Debt	1,248.26
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Grand Total	\$8,834.24
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Net Debt \$1,248.26 created by forest fire bills

Town of Wentworth**Liabilities****Accounts Owed by Town:**

Due Collector of Internal Revenue	\$10.80
Forest fire Department	950.81
For Aerial Maps	100.00
Balance Truck-Plow appropriation	229.50
For War Service Memorial	500.00
Parks and Playgrounds	167.00
Due to State, 1944-45 Poll taxes	5.91

Due to School District:

Schools $\frac{1}{2}$ of National Forest Reserve	49.56
Dog Licenses	105.47
Balance of Appropriation	5,739.64
Lease Land Rent	54.24

State and Town Joint Highway Const. Accounts:

Unexpended bal. in State Treasury	10.29
Class V Maintenance	861.30

Other Indebtedness:

Due Wentworth Congregational Church	33.14
Due Atwell Hill Baptist Church	16.58

Total Liabilities**\$8,834.24**

Town of Wentworth**Receipts****Current Revenue:****From Local Taxes::**

Property Taxes	\$17,422.65
Poll Taxes	232.00
National Bank Stock Taxes	3.00

Total of Current years taxes collected	\$17,657.65
Property taxes of previous years	1,792.03
Poll Taxes, Regular at \$2.00 ,Previous years	80.00
Poll Taxes, special at \$3, previous years	6.00
Interest received on taxes	65.42
Tax Sales Redeemed	153.40

From State:

For Class V Road maintenance	861.30
Interest and Dividend tax	122.86
Railroad Tax	124.44
Savings Bank tax	168.12
Reimbursement a-c State and Fed. forest lands	337.55
National Forest Reserve	145.31
Fighting forest fires	1,993.00

From Local Sources Except Property Taxes:

Dog licenses	132.97
Business licenses and permits	3.00
Registration of Motor Vehicles, 1946 permits	9.19
Registration of Motor Vehicles, 1947 permits	428.44
Registration of Motor Vehicles, 1948 permits	6.26
Lease Land rents	111.16

Receipts Other Than Current Revenue:

Temporary loan	3,500.00
Sale of Town Property	229.52
Alfred M. Payne, sale of hearse lamps	40.00
Foster Bros., sale of harnesses	10.00
Clyde F. Brown, sale of lumber	12.00
Charles A. Gilbert, rent of town hall	9.00
American LaFrance, empty carboy	3.97
F. B. Hawkins, road oil	45.00
The Todd Company, refund of excise tax	13.50
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Total Receipts From all Sources	23,061.09
Cash on hand January 1, 1947	4,751.01
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Grand Total	\$32,812.10

Town of Wentworth**Payments****Current Maintenance Expenses****General Government:**

Town Officers' salaries	\$1,050.58
Town Officers' Expenses	505.72
Election and Registration Expense	52.00
Expenses Town Hall and Other bldgs.	121.78

Protection of Persons and Property:

Police Department	35.50
Fire Department, inc, forest fires	5,476.59
Bounties	134.50

Health:

Health Department	37.60
Vital Statistics	12.00

Highways and Bridges:

Town Road Aid	504.73
Town Maintenance	4,923.57
Street lighting	650.00
General Expenses of department	118.15

Library:

Maintenance	300.00
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Public Welfare:

Old Age Assistance	870.31
Town Poor	652.00

Patriotic Purposes:

Memorial Day and Vets.' Asso.	8.40
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Unclassified:

Taxes dought by town	205.78
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Interest:

Paid on temporary loan in anticipation of taxes	8.75
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Outlay for New Construction and Permanent Improvement

Highways and Bridges, State Aid construction	3,363.98
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Indebtedness:

Payment on temporary loan	3,500.00
Bank Analysis Charges	1.04

Payments to Other Governmental Divisions:

Special poll taxes paid to State at \$3.00	165.48
Taxes paid to County	1,347.17
Payments to School District	6,164.13

Total Payments for all purposes	\$30,217.76
Cash on hand December 31, 1947	2,594.34

Grand Total	\$32,812.10
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SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY



Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 4,000.00
Furniture and equipment	300.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	10,000.00
Furniture and equipment	1,000.00
Police Department,	5.00
Fire Department, Equipment	1,000.00
Highway Department, Equipment	2,000.00
Parks, Commons and Playgrounds	200.00
Schools, Lands and Buildings	5,000.00
Equipment	500.00
All lands and buildings acquired through tax collectors deeds	
Charles Nason Farm	1,000.00
J. P. Osborne , Liversey woodlot	60.00
40 acre Foster Downing Lot	300.00
75 acre Veandry Place	225.00
90 acre Scott Buley Thayer Mt. Lot	300.00
Total	\$ 25,890.00

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

1947 Property Tax Warrant:		\$20,741.21
Remittance to Treasurer		\$17,425.65
Discount allowed	122.79	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1948	3,192.77	
1947 Poll Tax Warrant	372.00	
(with one poll tax added)		
Remitted to Treasurer		232.00
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1948	140.00	
1946 Property Tax Warrant:		
Uncollected Jan 1, 1947	1,801.03	
Rremitted to Treasurer		1,766.43
With interest collected		53.80
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1948	34.60	
1946 Poll Tax Warrant:		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1947	90.00	
Remitted to Treasurer		76.00
With interest		8.00
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1948	14.00	
1945 Warrant:		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1947	153.84	
Remitted to Treasurer		35.60
Interest collected		3.62
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1948	118.24	
Lease Land Rent 1947:		
Warrant	108.48	
Remitted to Treasurer		103.96
Uncollected Jan, 1, 1948	4.52	
Lease Land Rent 1946:		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1946	7.20	
Remitted to Treasurer		7.20
Redemptions and interest collected and		
Remitted to Treasurer		153.40
Total Remittances		\$19,865.66
1944 Warrant:		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1947		\$56.00
Collected with interest	\$8.10	
	1.08	

Cash on hand

Abated	47.90	
1943:Warrant:		
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1947		64.80
Collected with interest	9.60	
	1.40	
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Cash on hand	11.00	
Abated	55.20	

RICHARD L. DOWNING, Tax Collector
TREASURER'S REPORT

1946 Tax	1,766.43
1946 Poll Tax	76.00
1946 Interest	61.80
1945 Tax	25.60
1945 Interest	3.62
1945 Poll Tax	4.00
1945 Special Poll Tax	6.00
Lease Land Rents	111.16
Redemptions	153.40
Town Clerk:	
1948 Auto Tax	6.26
1947 Auto Tax	428.44
1946 Auto Tax	9.19
1947 Dog Tax	132.97
State Treasurer:	
Distribution of National Forest Reserve Fund	145.31
Chap.234 Revised Laws of 1942	337.55
Maintenance Class V. Highways	861.30
Savings Bank Tax	168.12
Railroad Tax	124.44
Interest and Dividends Tax	122.86
Forest Fire Bill Refund	1,993.00
Alfred M. Payne , Sale of hearse lamps	40.00
Foster Brothers, sale of harnesses	10.00
Charles Gilbert, rent of Town Hall	9.00
Clyde F. Brown, lumber sold	12.00
Selectmen:	
Bank note	3,500.00
Pistol permits	3.00
Spurgeon M. Ames, Payment for Tilley Place	229.52

American LaFrance Foamite Corp.,	
Credit for return of empty carboys	\$ 3.97
Frederick B. Hawkins, Payment for, Road oil	45.00
The Todd Co., Refund of excise tax	13.50

Total Receipts	\$32,812.10
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Expenditures

County Tax	\$1,347.17
Bank Analysis charge	1.04
Orders of Selectmen	28,869.55
Cash on hand January 1, 1948	2,594.34

Total	\$32,812.10
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LOTTIE M. McLAUGHLIN,

Treasurer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

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Auto Permits

Received from December 31, 1946 to December 31, 1947:

1946 Tax	\$9.19
1947 Tax	428.44
1948 Tax	6.26
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	\$443.89

Paid Treasurer	443.89
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Dog Taxes

Rec'd from Dec. 31, 1946 to Dec. 31, 1947	\$145.17
Fees paid	\$12.20
Paid Treasuer	\$132.97
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OLIVE M. BELYEA,

Town Clerk

DETAILED STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

Detail No. 1, Town Officers Salaries:

C. Earl Gove, Selectman	\$175.00
Charles H. Brown, Selectman	150.00
Carroll J. Stevens, Selectman	150.00
Richard L. Downing, Tax Collector	297.58
Olive M. Belyea, Clerk	50.00
Olive M. Belyea, issuing auto permits	84.00
Lottie M. McLaughlin, Treasurer	90.00
Ben B. Foster, auditing books	27.00
William A. Morrison, auditing b8oks	27.00

\$1,050.58

Detail No. 2, Town Officers' Expenses:

Editors U. S. Auto Truck Guide	\$4.50
Ben B. Foster, postage	.30
William A. Morrison, postage	.42
The Todd Company, check protector	138.94
Association of N. H. Assessors, 1947 dues	2.00
F. J. Shores, recording deeds	4.72
F. J. Shores, 1947 transfers	13.50
F. J. Shores for Library trustees	6.20
Ben B. Foster, justice fee	.25
Gerald F. Hutchins, telephone fee	.11
Ayer Insurance, Officers bonds	69.00
Clays Newstand, supplies	2.55
Brown & Saltmarsh, auditors supplies	3.65
C. Earl Gove, postage, phone, tax meeting	7.70
Anna D. Proctor, transfers	.40
The Colby Press, printing reports	145.00
Carroll J. Stevens, attending tax meeting	3.00
Edson C. Eastman, supplies	46.51
N. H. Tax Col. Assoc. 1945-46-47 dues	6.00
Richard L. Downing, postage and phone	20.41
Charles Hardy, Clerks 1947-48 dues	2.00
Grover C. Breck, police expense	1.30
Robert G. Wakefield, 1947 retainer	15.00
Olive M. Belyesa, expense	3.72

Lottie M. McLaughlin, postage	3.54
Carroll J. Stevens, tax meeting	5.00

\$505.72

Detail No. 3, Election and Registration:

Ben B. Foster, Supervisor	\$16.00
Anson C. Tuttle, Supervisor	16.00
Charles A. Gilbert, Supervisor	16.00
William A. Morrison, Moderator	4.00

\$52.00

Detail No. 4, Town Hall and Other Town Buildings:

White Mt. Power Co.	\$24.48
Ayer Insurance Agency, Ins. on hall	31.25
The Dearth Agency, Ins. on hall	34.25
H. Dewey Chase, wood	6.00
Lewis W. Gove, wood	7.00
Floyd J. Gove, delivering wood	1.00
Charles A. Gilbert, care and repair on hall	17.80

\$121.78

Detail No. 6, Police Department:

R. A. Valliere, keeping transients	\$5.00
W. S. Darley Co., police badge and billey	5.50
Richard Downing, police duty	4.00
Grover C. Breck, dog constable and police	21.00

35.50

Detail No. 7, Fire Department:

Town Fire Department:

Charles H. Brown, core of engine	\$128.36
Asa P. Colby, coal	62.50
Shortt Bros., battery	18.75
American LaFrance	4.70

Tires for truck	\$56.44
Gas	2.15
C. H. Brown, repairs	1.00
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	\$273.90

Fire House:

Clyde Brown	\$61.60
Richard Downing	61.60
George Scholtz	10.80
Floyd Gove, truck	2.00
H. D. Chase, lumber	84.00
Chase Grain, cement	82.40
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	302.40

Forest Fire:

Fire Training Meeting	\$15.50
Warden Curtis, Pike	295.10
Warden McGlone, Ashland	371.80
Warden French, Rumney	574.83
Warden Westover, Beebe	688.18
Warden Lupien, Warren	812.60
Warden Brown, Wentworth	1,902.46
Town of Orford	239.82
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	4,900.29
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	\$5,476.59

Detail No. 8, Bounties:

Gerald Hutchins, hedgehogs	\$9.50
C. Earl Gove	9.50
Lawerence Daige	2.50
Wilfred Tatham	18.50
Charles H. Brown	27.50
Carroll J. Stevens	18.00
Steven Briere	2.00
Donald Tatham	2.50
Eldon Rodimon	1.00
Freeman Wright	3.50

Norman Downing, 1 bear	20.00
Ray Clough, 1 bear	20.00
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	\$134.50

Detail No. 11, Health Department:

Alson L. Brown, expense to Health Conference	\$22.60
Alson L. Brown, health officer	15.00
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	\$37.60

Detail No. 12, Vital Statistics:

Olove M. Belyea, recording vital statistics	\$12.00
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Detail No. 14, Town Maintenance:

H. Dewey Chase, Road agent	\$855.09
Harold Matava, Road agent	1,751.71
Due Collector of Internal Revenue	9.10
Willian A. Morrison, Road agent	2,313.77
Due Collector of Internal Revenue	1.70
Treasurer State of N. H., Buffalo Road Bridge	3,363.98

Detail No. 15, Street Lighting:

White Mt. Power Co.	\$650.00
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Detail No. 16, General Expense Highway Dept.:

Collector of Internal Revenue, Bal. 1946 tax	\$6.60
George W. Gove, due on 1946 account	25.55
Treasurer State of N. H., tar	75.00
Harold Matava, due on 1946 payroll	11.00
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	\$118.15

Detail No. 17, Library:

Melissa Breck, Library trustee	\$300.00
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Detail No. 18, Old Age Assistance:

Old Age Assistance	\$870.31
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Detail No. 19, Town Poor:

Grafton County Farm: Henry Rein	\$246.50
Balance January bill	60.00
George Clough	296.50
Hitchcock Clinic George Clough	3.00
Grafton County Farm, George Derrick	18.00
D. R. Jessemen, Groceries for Henry Logan	28.00
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	\$652.00

Detail No. 21, Memorial Day:

Carroll J. Stevens, flags	\$8.40
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Detail No. 22, Common:

Henry Muzzey, cleaning common	\$3.00
Wesley Muzzey, cleaning common	3.00
Floyd J. Gove, use of truck	2.00
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	\$8.00

Detail No. 31, Taxes bought by Town:

Taxes bought by town	\$205.78
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Detail No. 32, Special Poll Taxes:

reasurer State N. H. 1944-45 Polls	165.48
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Detail No. 33, Interest:

Pemigewasset Nat'l. Bank, int. on note	\$8.75
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Detail No. 35, Road Construction:

Treasurer State N. H., 1947 T. R. A.	\$504.73
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Detail No. 42, Temporary Loans:

Pemigewasst National Bank	\$3,500.00
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Detail No. 44, County Tax:

Harry S. Huckins, Treasurer	\$1,347.17
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Detail No. 45, School District:

Alice A. Downing, Treasurer:

1946 Appropriation	\$3,756.00
1946 Dog License	106.75
1946 Lease Land Rent	43.20
1/2 National Forest Reserve	58.18
Part 1947 Appropriation	2,200.00
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	\$6,164.13

**CERTIFICATE**

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is correct to the best of our knowledge and belief.

C. EARL GOVE,

CHARLES H. BROWN

CARROLL J. STEVENS

Selectmen of Wentworth

June 24, 1947

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

William Morrison, Road Agent

Atwell Hill:

Howard Evans	\$10.00
Wm. Morrison, Labor and truck	120.10
C. Earl Gove	19.20
H. Dewey Chase, Labor and truck	10.50
Donald Morrison	43.87
Arthur Morrison	3.00
A. L. Reade and tractor	77.00
R. A. Valliere	38.12
Richard Downing	19.20
Alson Brown	7.88
Henry Rollins	7.35

 \$356.22

Swain Road and Beech Hill

Wm. Morrison, Labor and truck	\$31.55
Floyd Gove	2.62
Donald Morrison	8.12
Carl Fellows and Team	31.50
Arthur Fellows and Tractor	21.25
Ernest Schofield	13.50
Harold Dunklee	6.00
Howard Evans	4.00

 \$118.54

East Side and Oak Hill:

Wm. Morrison, Labor and truck	\$96.80
Harold Dunklee	10.50
Arthur Morrison	13.50
Floyd Gove	10.51
Donald Morrison	49.84
R. A. Valliere	10.25
Howard Evans	10.00

 \$201.40

Buffalo and Cross Road:

Harold Dunklee	\$6.00
Floyd Gove	7.50
Donald Morrison	29.62
R. A. Valliere	15.00
Wm. Morrison, Labor and truck	94.15
Richard Downing	12.00
C. Earl Gove	12.00
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	\$176.27

Village Tar Roads:

Floyd Gove	\$5.25
Wm. Gove, Labor and truck	57.38
Arthur Morrison	21.50
R. A. Valliete	9.38
Donald Morrison	37.26
Howard Evans	34.13
Roy Huckins	3.75
Wm. Morrison, Labor and truck	93.10
Damon Huckins	18.50
C. Earl Gove	4.80
C. B. Evans and truck	12.25
Harold Dunklee	16.88
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	\$314.18

Ellsworth Hill:

Donald Tatham	\$3.00
C. Earl Gove	6.40
Richard Downing	6.40
Donald Morrison	13.50
Wm. Morrison, Labor and truck	34.20
Howard Evans	6.00
R. A. Valliere	6.00
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	\$75.50

Bridges and Culverts:

Wm. Morrison	\$44.20
C. Earl Gove	34.40
Richard Downing	34.40
Donald Morrison	32.25
Alson Brown	3.00
Glenn F. Pease and team	22.63
Clyde Brown	3.00
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	\$174.88

Miscellaneous Bills:

Wm. Morrison, Gas coupling and exp.	
Road Agents meeting	\$10.99
H. Dewey Chase, Express charges on parts	.67
R. C. Hazelton Co., Tractor parts	4.20
A. L. Reade, Repairs on road machines	2.00
Municipal Steel Co., Road mach. parts	31.42
C. Earl Gove, Exp. T. R. A. Road meeting	10.20
George Avery, Labor and parts on plow	29.47
Chase Grain Mill, Road salt	11.75
H. Dewey Chase, Bridge planks and stringers	155.28
Frank Snellgrove, Sand	13.80
Floyd Gove, Labor on plow and bolts	2.70
Arthur Paige, welding	2.50
Ben. B. Foster, Bolts	.85
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	\$275.83

Bills Paid by Town:

N. H. Highway Dept., Road tar	\$284.28
Floyd Gove, Labor on plow, oil and mileage	19.65
Gulf Oil Company, Gas for tractor	10.08
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	\$314.01

Snow Fence, Snow Removal and Sanding:

Freeman Wright	\$ 2.40
Wilfred Tatham	3.75
C. Earl Gove	4.00
Richard Downing	4.00
Wm. Morrison	45.09
Floyd Gove, Labor and truck	131.45
R. A. Valliere	12.80
Donald Morrison	6.95
Wm. Boardman	16.00
Wm. Gove	27.20
Jesse Pease	1.60
A. L. Reade	19.80
Lawrence Reade	16.80
Harold Dunklee	16.80
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	\$308.64
Total	\$2,315.47

ROAD AGENTS' REPORT

Report of South Wentworth District

Harold Matava, Road Agent

Miscellaneous Bills:

W. H. Willey, Shop work, nails, spikes, sand	\$7.20
Irwin Foster, Plank	19.98
Chase Grain, Salt	13.50
Ben B. Foster, Shop work	5.00
Lawrence Foster, Gravel	4.20
H. Dewey Chase, Plank	25.32
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	\$75.20

Bridges and Culverts:

H. Matava, Truck, team	\$43.28
W. H. Willey, labor	16.31
William Shea, labor	1.87
Jess Maynard, Labor	3.99
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	\$65.45

Cutting Bushes:

H. Matava, Team	\$16.50
W. H. Willey, Labor	99.00
Eldon Rodimon, Labor	42.74
William Shea, labor	24.00
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	\$182.24

Ellsworth Hill:

H. Dewey Chase, Plank, labor	\$206.20
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Cross and Rowentown Roads:

H. Matava, Team	\$36.00
W. H. Willey, Labor	11.25
William Shea, Labor	12.00
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	\$59.25

Hooper Hill and Cheever Roads:

W. H. Willey, Labor	\$15.00
H. Matava, Truck, team	31.00
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	\$46.00

Mail Road:

H. Matava, Team, truck	\$124.52
W. H. Willey, Labor	48.75
William Shea, Labor	45.75
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	\$218.75

Snow and Sand:

H. Matava, truck and tractor plowing shoveling and sanding	\$461.24
W. H. Willey, Labor	149.76
William Shea, Labor	10.49
Geald Hutchins, Labor	.50
Clayton Brown Team	2.00
Walter Brown, Team	5.00
Jess Maynard, Labor	5.25
W. E. Gove, Labor	4.50
Floyd Gove, Truck	15.00
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	\$653.74

Branch Roads:

W. H. Willey, Labor	\$58.49
H. Matava, Truck, team	135.49
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	\$193.98
Total	\$1,760.81

H. Dewey Chase, Road Agent

H. Dewey Chase	\$157.30
Freeman Wright	134.75
Wilfred Tatham	73.02
Willie Dow	4.80
Leon Chase	134.60
Earl Wright	22.40
Wm. Randall	68.00
L. Daige	52.89
Milton Shortt	3.00
James Godville	24.38
Mervin Milton	26.00
Chase Grain Co	6.75
Stanley Smith	13.13
A. L. Reade	56.80
Gulf Oil Corp.	5.56
Murray Machinery Co.	10.80
C. D. Keneson	33.81
D. B. MacLennon	12.80
Lawrence Reade	4.00
Frank Newton	4.80
Frank Snelgrove	5.50
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	\$855.09

WENTWORTH ROAD AGENT

Account of the George F. Plummer Estate

for 1947

Receipts

Town of Wentworth, Bal. of G. F. Plummer will	\$13 776.36
Sale of lumber, J. E. Currier and H. J. Sevigne	1629.19
Rent of Property, W. Dow	123.10
Laselle National Bank, Dividend	67.50
Chicago Title and Trust Co.	3.25
G. A. Skinner, Balance from expenses	12.32
Sale of lumber, Auguste King	71.97
Balance from 1946	135.21
Total	<hr/> \$15,818.90

Payments

Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank, Deposit for George F. Plummer Memorial Trust	\$14,000.00
Lisbon Savings Bank for fund	1,000.00
Cutting and skidding logs	178.97
Insurance, R. Large	10.61
Shingles, materials, paint, nails etc.	121.16
Hauling boards, mileage and labor, O. W. Brown	14.00
Labor, materials and mileage, Alson L. Brown	58.17
Labor, Willie Down	19.50
Labor, George Schultz	32.00
Bank Charges	1.39
Total	<hr/> \$15,435.80

Assets

Note for one year from J. E. Currier, dated Dec.30, 1947
\$582.97

ALSON L. BROWN, Treasurer.

Trustees Town of Wentworth

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF WENTWORTH, ON DECEMBER 31, 1947.

Date of Creation	Trust Funds—Purpose of Creation	How Invested	Amount	Rate	Bal.	Inc.	Exp.	Bal.
Feb. 12, 1908	Mary M. Dean, care of cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	\$ 25.00			.50	.50	
June 13, 1917	Clara E. Burnham, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00		5.57	2.02	2.02	
Dec. 3, 1919	Mrs. Ann Libbey, care cemetery lot	Merrimac Sav. Bank	100.00			2.62	2.62	
Sept. 13, 1920	Mrs. Abbie Moulton, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			2.02	2.02	5.57
June 30, 1924	Esther F. Dana, care Dana cem. lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			2.02	2.02	
June 30, 1924	Esther F. Dana, care Flanders cem. lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	25.00			.50	.50	
April 3, 1925	Maria E. Hines, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			2.02	2.02	
May 29, 1925	John L. Peters, School use	Plymouth Sav. Bank	1000.00			Int.	not drawn	
Jan. 7, 1931	Luther Smith, care Luther Smith lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	50.00			1.01	1.01	
July 1, 1933	Clarence A. Eaton, care Eaton lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			2.02	2.02	
April 26, 1933	Thomas F. Clifford, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	200.00			4.03	4.03	
Jan. 22, 1935	Nannie B. Briggs, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			2.02	2.02	
June 23, 1939	Herbert A. Clark, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	200.00			4.03	4.03	
July 1, 1940	Peter L. Hoyt, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			2.02	2.02	
July 1, 1940	Abner Holt, care of cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			3.03	3.03	
June 18, 1943	Emma J Foster, care of cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	150.00			2.02	2.02	
July 7, 1943	Henrietta C. Walker, care cemetery lot	Plymouth Sav. Bank	100.00			2.02	2.02	
Sept. 7, 1946	Plummer Memorial Fund cem - lib	Mechanics Sav. Bank	5,000.00			63.67	63.67	
June 2, 1947	" " " "	Plymouth Sav. Bank	2,000.00			Int.	not used	
Sept 17, 1947	" " " "	Lisbon Svcs. B.&T.Co	2,000.00			2 1/2	" "	

This is to certify that the information in this report is complete and correct, to the best of our knowledge and belief
 January 12, 1948. Alson L. Brown, Grover C. Breck, Claude B. Evans, Trustees.

LIBRARY TREASURER'S REPORT

Year Ending December 31, 1947

Receipts

Appropriation	\$	300.00
Sale of history		3.00
Interest from Plummer Estate		15.94
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Total Receipts	\$	318.94
Balance January 1, 1947		48.57
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	\$	367.51

Disbursements

Olive M. Belyea. Librarian	\$	78.00
Olive M. Belyea, Expenses and cleaning		12.28
Leslie E. Belyea, Janitor		37.00
Leslie E. Belyea, Stove pipe and labor		4.70
White Mt. Power Co.		18.93
Books		52.53
Magazines		20.25
Ayer Insurance Agency		38.56
C. H. Macomber, Furnace		50.00
Wood		6.50
Oil		1.65
Rand's, Stovepipe for gymnasium		5.55
Ralph Miles, Glass and labor		2.00
C. F. Brown, Materials and labor		5.71
Analysis charges at bank		5.57
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Total Disbursements	\$	339.23
Balance January 1, 1948		28.28
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	\$	367.51
MELISSA BRECK, Treasurer		December 31, 1947

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

Number of magazines loaned	568
Number of books loaned	4,990
Number of new books purchased	44
Number of gift books added	164

Much appreciation is extended to all those who have contributed books and magazines.

OLIVE M. BELYEA,
Librarian

AUDITORS' REPORT

This is to certify that we have examined the foregoing accounts of Selectmen, Treasurer, Town Clerk, Collector of Taxes, Library Trustees, Town Trustees and Road Agents for the year ending December 31, 1947, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

BEN B. FOSTER,
MYRON D. OSTRANDER,

January 17, 1948

Auditors

Annual Report
of the
SCHOOL DISTRICT
of
WENTWORTH
for
Fiscal Year
JULY 1, 1946 - JUNE 30, 1947

WARRANT FOR SCHOOL MEETING**THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE**

To the inhabitants of the School District in the Town of Wentworth qualified to vote in district affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Town Hall in said district on the 9th day of March 1948, at 2.30 o'clock in the afternoon to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose a Moderator for the coming year.
2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.
3. To choose a Member of the School Board for the ensuing three yeaaers.
4. To choose Treasurer for the ensuing year.
5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the School Board and Truant Officer, and fix the compensation of any other officers or agents of the District.
6. To hear the reports of Agents, Auditors, Committees, or officers heretofore chosen, and pass any vote relating thereto.
7. To choose Agents, Auditors and Committees in relation to any subject embraced in this Warrant.
8. To see if the District will vote to make any alteration in the amount of money required to be assessed for the ensuing year for the support of public schools and the payment of the statutory obligations of the District, as determined by the School Board in its annual report.
9. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands at said Wentworth this 17th day of February 1948.

ELSIE E. LIBBEY,
HAZEL M. MORRISON,
ALSON L. BROWN,

School Board

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

My fifth annual report now presented explains details of school administration in this town and answers questions which parents ask from time to time. The usual statistical tables are included for present information and for future reference when the occasion may arise.

When the school calendar for the ensuing year is published among other statistics, many people fail to find it and are uncertain about dates of opening and closing of school and days when no school sessions are expected. To remove that difficulty, the 1948-1949 calendar is presented with explanantions at the beginning of this report.

A recent ruling from the office of the Commissioner of education makes a school year of at least 180 days mandatory. That requirement necessitates a year of 38 weeks without much flexibility, if schools are to close near the middle of June. The calendar follows:

Term Begins,	Term Ends	No. Weeks-No Days - No. Days of School No school		
Sept. 7, 1948	Dec. 23, 1948	16	72	8
Jan. 3, 1949	Feb. 18, 1949	7	35	0
Feb. 28, 1949	April 22, 1949	8	40	0
May 2, 1949	June 17, 1949	7	34	1
Totals		38	181	9

The nine days of expected no school are: Labor Day
State Convention (2), Armistice Day, Thanksgiving
with the following Friday, December 24, May 30

Time lost on account of illness or bad weather should be made up in Saturday sessions immediately following the lost sessions.

From time to time, questions are asked about our testing program and the uses we make of the information obtained from those tests. An annual test of mental ability is given in grades one and four. A different test is used for each grade. Achievement tests are given at approximately the middle of each year. The results of the mental tests are not used definitely to label a child as slow, bright or superior. They are used as a general guide for teachers who try to meet individual needs of children and they enable us also to determine whether a given child is working up to the limit of his indicated capacity. The results of achievement tests enable us to determine what parts of a pupil's work need more attention and at what points we can give the most help. The tests used are sufficiently well standardized to give a very accurate picture of accomplishment at any period during the school year. A second achievement test is given later in the year to those pupils who showed marked deficiencies on the first one for the purpose of determining how much improvement has been made and how effective have been the measures we adopted for help. The results of achievement tests and the actual daily work done by pupils are the two determining factors in decision about promotions. My experience has shown me that promotion for those about whose future success there may be a reasonable doubt is not a kindness or a help to them. In every case the Superintendent and the teacher make every effort to reach a decision which will be for the ultimate good of the pupil.

Wentworth teachers, in conjunction with elementary teachers in all other towns in this Union, with the exception of Plymouth, are at work on the developement of a program of Conservation teaching. The particular phase of conservation we are considering is that of Conservation of Water Resources. In this undertaking we have an opportunity to do some valuable pioneer work which ought to benefit the State as a whole and particularly our children in this town.

Transportation problems in this town have increased in the past few years. The Atwell Hill route, the wearing out of transportation conveniences and the increased cost of services and materials of operation, have furnished those problems. Our transportation bill has increased accordingly. So long as all Wentworth pupils can be adequately housed in the Village School it is my opinion that no thought should be given to re opening any school now closed even though teachers could be procured. It is likewise my opinion that we are purchasing transportation at a fair and reasonable cost when all other factors involved are taken into consideration. As the cost of transportation rises we are fortunate to have the increased amount of State Aid which materially lightens the taxpayer's burden.

Music instruction under Mr. Stephen E. Childs has progressed very satisfactorily this year. Accomplishments noted in the limited allotted to music in each school suggests that our pupils would profit enormously by extending that time. Such extension of time would be possible if Wentworth together with other town in the Union 48, can see its way clear to help finance employment of a music teacher on a five day per week basis instead of two and one half days as at present. I am recommending in all of my towns that every effort be made to finance an extended music program. My desire to get pupils this added advantage is made keen because my own school days did not give me the benefit of music instruction, and the lack of it has always been felt.

At the time this report is written the approximate amount of State Aid that may be expected in December 1948 has not been announced but it seems reasonable to assume that it will be very near the amount that was received in 1947. The primary purpose of increased State Aid is not tax reduction but an expansion and improvement of educational opportunity within the district which received the aid. The use of 1947 State Aid was restricted by action of the State legislature but, beyond that one year, school districts may spend State Aid funds at their discretion. If Wentworth chooses to use State Aid money in accordance with the true purpose for which it is granted, steady improvement in our schools can be realized without undue financial burden to the town.

My conclusion is an expression of appreciation to the people of Wentworth and to members of the school board for the courtesy and fine cooperation which it has been my privilege to enjoy during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

Arthur S. Rollins,
Superintendent of Schools

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE-SCHOOL YEAR

Roll of Perfect Attendance - School Year 1946-1947
Kenneth Dunklee

1947 GRADUATES OF WENTWORTH 8TH GRADE

Cheater Hernbert Blodgett	Robert Hugh Evans
Harold Ross Gove	Germaine Rose Matava
Lewis Edward Merrey	Arline Thelma Newton
Barbara Clair Adelman	

WENTWORTH TEACHERS 1947-1948

Village	Grades 5-8	Mrs. Dorothy Jessemen
Village	Grades 1-4	Mrs. Minnie Blodgett

Annual Report of the District Treasurer for Fiscal Year

Ending June 30, 1947

Summary

Cash on hand June 30, 1946	\$1,187.15
Appropriations for current year	5,300.00
Balance of previous appropriation	1,956.00
Dog tax	106.75
Received from State Treasurer	2,023.67
Received from all other sources	122.92
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	9,509.34
Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year	\$10,696.49
Less School Board Orders paid	10,084.64
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Balance on hand June 30, 1947	611.85
	ALICE A. DOWNING
June 30, 1947	District Treasurer

AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers bank statements and other financial records of the Treasurer of the school district of Wentworth, N. H., of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 and find them correct in all respects.

BEN B. FOSTER,
MYRON OSTRANDER,

July 12, 1947

Auditors

FINANCIAL REPORT OF THE WENTWORTH
SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Receipts

Federal Aid:

One half National Forest Reserve	\$	58.18
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State Aid:

Equalization or general Aid		2,023.67
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Local Taxation:

For support of schools		7,256.00
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From Sources Other Than Taxation:

Dog licenses		106.75
Income from leased lands		43.20
Other receipts		21.54

	\$	171.47
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Total Receipts from all Sources	\$	9,509.34
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Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1946	\$	1,187.15
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GRAND TOTAL	\$	10,696.46
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PAYMENTS

Administration:

Salaries of district officers	\$	196.00
Superintendent's excess salary		120.00
Tax for state wide supervision		186.00
Expenses of Administration:-Clerical assistants		16.00
Supplies and expenses		58.27

Instruction:

Principal's and teachers' salaries	2,781.12
Text books	35.49
Scholars supplies	102.24
Supplies, flags and other expenses	9.42

Operation of School Plant:

Janitors' supplies salaries	185.00
Fuel or heat	231.00
Water, light, janitor's supplies	63.64
Repairs and replacements	324.13

Auxiliary Activities:

Health supervision, salary	165.00
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Transportation:

Transportation, Contract services	2,756.50
Tuition, elementary and secondary	2,322.32
Other activities	27.66

Fixed Charges:

Insurance	8.00
State retirement and other	52.00

Capital Outlay:

New equipmemnt	14.25
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Debt, Interest and Other Charges:

Payment of bills from previous year	430.60
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Total Payments for all Purposes	\$	10,084.64
Total Cash on Hand at End of Year, June 30, 1947		611.85

GRAND TOTAL	\$	10,696.49
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SCHOOL DISTRICT BALANCE SHEET

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Assets

June 30, 1947

Cash on hand:

Balance on hand June 30, 1947	\$	611.85
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Liabilities

Accounts owed by the district		none
Surplus	\$	611.85

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AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that we ave examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Wentworth, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1947 and find them correctly cast and properly voched.

BEN. B. FOSTER,

MYRON D. OSTRANDER,

July 12, 1947

Auditors

SCHOOL BOARD'S ESTIMATE FOR 1948-1949

Detailed Estimate of Expenbitures

For Support of Schools:

Teachers Salaries	\$ 4,000.00
Text books	175.00
Scholars' supplies	200.00
Flags and appurtenances	5.00
Janitor Service	250.00
Fuel	300.00
Water, Light, Janitor's supplies	100.00
Minor repairs and expenses	100.00
Health supervision	200.00
Transportation of pupils	2,800.00
Other special activities	15.00
Insurance	95.00

\$ 8,290.00

Other Statutory Requirements:

Salaries of District Officers	\$ 208.00
Truant Officer and school census	20.00
Payment of tuitions in high schools	2,600.00
Superintendent's Excess salary	131.00
Per Capita tax	156.00
Retirement Assessment	185.00
Other obligations	100.00
	3,400.00

Total Amount Required to

Meet School Board's Budget	\$ 11,690.00
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Estimated Income of Wentworth School District

Balance June 30, 1948	\$ 1,800.00
State Aid	3,300.00
Dog tax	100.00
Other Estimated Income	50.00

Income not raised by taxation	\$ 5,250.00
Assessment required to balance budget	\$ 6,440.00

DETAILED STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS

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Date	From Whom	Source	Amount
1946			
June 30	Cash	On hand	\$ 1,187.15
Sept. 25	Selectmen	Part school money	1,000.00
Nov. 8	Selectmen	Part school money	1,500.00
Dec. 5	Selectmen	Part school money	1,000.00
Dec. 14	State Treasurer	Equalization fund	2,023.67
1947			
Jan. 10	School Board	Treasury Dept	17.04
March 21	Selectmen	Part school money	1,000.00
May 9	Selectmen	Part school money	800.00
June 9	Selectmen	Bal. 1946 Approp.	1,956.00
June 9	Selectmen	1946 Lease land rent	43.20
June 9	Selectmen	Dog licenses	106.75
June 9	Selectmen	½ Nat'l. For. Res Fd.	58.18
June 9	School Board	Ice Cream sold	4.00
May 9	Bank	Refund on overcharge	.50
Total Receipts			\$ 10,696.49
Less School Board orders paid			10,084.64
Cash on hand July 1, 1947			611.85

VITAL STATISTICS

Births Registered in the Town of Wentworth, N. H.

for the Year Ending December 31, 1947

1. James Irving Curtis born February 10, 1947 at Plymouth, N. H., Third child, male, white. Name of Father, Carl Joseph Curtis, Maiden name of Mother, Nellie Etta Farr. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Truck Driver. Birthplace of Father, Alburgh, Vt. Birthplace of Mother, West Valley, Vt.
2. Joyce Elaine Evans born at Plymoyth, N. H., April 7, 1947. Fourth child, female, white. Name of Father, Hugh Anson Evans. Maiden name of Mother, Lillian Marie Delory. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Farmer. Birthplace of Father, Saugus Mass. Birthplace of Mother, Everett, Mass.
3. Baby Downing born June 4, 1947 at Plymouth, N. H. Fifth child, male, white, stillborn. Name of Father, Richard Lee Downing. Maiden name of Mother Elsie Krahenbuhl. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Carpenter. Birthplace of Father, Wentworth, N. H. Birthplace of Mother, New York, New York.
4. William Arthur Tower born June 5, 1947 at Wentworth, N. H. Third child, male white. Name of Father, Clarence J. Tower, Maiden name of Mother, Ruby J. Jones. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Laborer. Birthplace of Father, Medford, Mass. Birthplace of Mother, Northbridge, Mass.
5. Cecelia Kauk born June 19, 1947 at Plymouth, N. H. Second child, female, white. Name of Father, Eugene Kauk. Maiden name of Mother, Marie Antionette Koopmans. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Accountant. Birthplace of Father, Odessa, Russia. Birthplace of Mother, Amsterdam, Holland.
6. Irene Gladys Fellows born August 30, 1947 at Wentworth N. H. Sixth child, female white. Name of Father, Carl J. Fellows. Maiden name of Mother, Hattie H. Scofield. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Farmer. Birthplace of Father, West Thornton, N. H. Birthplace of Mother, Lynn, Mass.

7. Joan Ann Forest born September 10, 1947. at Plymouth, N. H. First child female, white. Name of Father, Wayne Sepp Forrest. Maiden name of Mother, Jessie Ryder. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Carpenter. Birthplace of Father, Porvoo, Finland Birthplace of Mother, Ashton-U-Lyne, England.

8. Roderick Brian Smith born November 19, 1947 at Plymouth, N. H. Second child, male, white. Name of Father Stanley Richard Smith. Maiden name of Mother, Dorothy Barbara Von Duhn. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Lumberman. Birthplace of Father Laconia, N. H. Birthplace of Mother, West New York, N. J.

9. Louis John Sweeney born December 21, 1947 at Plymouth N. H. Second child, male, white. Name of Father, Wa'do Frederick Sweeney. Maiden name of Mother, Evelyn Dorothy Derosia. Residence of Parents, Wentworth, N. H. Occupation of Father, Mechanic. Birthplace of Father Keene, N. H. Birthplace of Mother, Warren, N. H.

**Marriages Registered in the Town of Wentworth,
N. H. for the Year Ending December 31, 1947**

1. Warren Malcolm Hapgood and Charlotte Reta Brown married at Warren, N. H., January 9, 1947 by Wiibertt H. Cannon, minister. Residence of Groom, North Stratford N. H., age 25, Carpenter, born at North Stratford, N. H. Name of Father, Harold B. Hapgood. Name of Mother, Florence Cooper. Residence of Bride, Wentworth, N. H. Age 19, housekeeper, born at Somerville, Mass. Name of Father, Fred A. Brown. Name of Mother, Ellen Griffin.

2. Harold Breck Brown and Creta Mary Taylor married at Holderness, N. H., June 14, 1947 by L. E. Alexander Clergyman, Franklin, N. H. Residence of Groom, Wentworth N. H., age 24, Student born at Wentworth, N. H. Name of Father, Charles H. Brown. Name of Mother, Eva Minnette Breck. Residence of Bride, Holderness, N. H. Age 25, Nurse, born at Laconia, N. H. Name of Father, G. Dana Taylor. Name of Mother, Nina A. Perkins.

3. Roger Lewis Bailey and Mary Lorraine Gove married at Plymouth, N. H. June 28, 1947 by Deane L. Hodges Clergyman, Plymouth, N. H. Residence of Groom, Rumney, N. H., age 20, Mill-hand, born at Rumney, N. H. Name of

Father Earle M. Bailey. Name of Mother, Elizabeth G. Patterson. Residence of Bride, Wentworth, N. H., age 20, Stenographer, born at Wentworth, N. H. Name of Father, Martin Luther Gove. Name of Mother, Viola Caroline Taylor

4. Arthur Eugene Jones and Lillian May McIlwraith married at Wentworth, N. H., June 15, 1947 by J. McVickar Haight, Clergyman., Bristol, N. H. Residence of Groom, Wentworth, N. H., age 22 Loberer, born at Wentworth, N. H. Name of Father, Arthur W. Jones. Name of Mother, Josephine A. Adams. Residence of Bride, Wentworth, N. H., Age 18, at home, born at Boston, Mass. Name of Father Robert W. McIlwraith. Name of Mother Margeritu. Percival.

5. Charles Isaac Walker and Beverly Celia Sellingham married at Campton, N. H., July 26, 1947 by Rev. Samuel Lowe, minister, Campton, N. H. Residence of Groom, Wentworth, N. H., age 21, Truck driver, born at Dorchester, N. H. Name of Father, Harold Walker. Name of Mother Elsie Krahenbuhl.

Residence of Bride, Campton, N. H., age 18, Bobbin Inspector, born at Thornton, N. H. Name of Father, Frank M. Sellingham. Name of Mother, Ora L. Inkell.

6. Rene Noel Latulippe and Dorothy Fern Huckins married August 9, 1947 at Plymouth, N. H. by Rev. Adrien Verrette, Catholic Priest, Plymouth, N. H. Residence of Groom Groton, N. H., age 21, Laborer, born Quebec, Can. Name of Father Rene O. Latulippe. Name of Mother Adrienne Vallieux. Residence of Bride, Wentworth, N. H. Age 18, at home, born at Wentworth, N. H. Name of Father Harvey W. Huckins. Name of Mother, Marjorie Smith.

7. Edward Clark Stevens and Elaine Agnes Page married at Warren, N. H., November 22, 1947 by Wilbert H. Cannon, minister, Warren, N. H. Residence of Groom, Wentworth, N. H., age 32, construction work, born at Maidstone, Vermont. Name of Father, Glenn E. Stevens. Name of Mother Maude Johnson. Residence of Bride, Wentworth, N. H., age 18, at home, born at West Rumney, N. H. Name of Father Herbert E. Page. Name of Mother Doris A. Colburn.

Deaths Registered in the Town of Wentworth, N. H.

for the Year Ending December 31, 1947.

1. Jame Irving Curtis died March 27, 1947 at Wentworth N. H. Age 1 month, 17 days, born at Plymouth, N. H., male, white. Name of Father, Carl Joseph Curtis. Name of Mother Nellie Etta Farr.
2. Mary Whittlesey Kotz died April 22, 1947 at Wentworth, N. H., age 88 years, 4 month, 22 days. Born at Ravenna, Ohio., female, white. Name of Father, John Whittlesey. Name of Mother, Mary Louise Patton.—Village Cemetery.
3. Infant Downing, stillborn at Plymouth, N. H., June 4, 1947, male white. Name of Father, Richard L. Downing. Name of Mother, Elsie Krahenbuhl.—Foster Cemetery.
4. Homer B. Clough died June 28, 1947 at Concord, N. H. Age 63 years, 10 months, 8 days. Born at Norwich, Vt. Male, white. Name of Father, Amos Clough. Name of Mother Suzy Dudley.—Foster Cemetery.
5. Harry C. Simpson died November 20, 1947 at Plymouth, N. H. Age 69 years, 3 months, 19 days. Born at Piermont, N. H. Male, white. Name of Father, Henry S. Simpson. Name of Mother, Lydia Dodge—Foster Cemetery.
6. Cora I. Ellsworth died November 24, 1947 at Webster, N. H. Age 93 years 2 months, 24 days. Born at Orford, N. H., female, white. Name of Father, George Savage. Name of Mother, Rosanna Merrill.—Foster Cemetery.
7. Mary Alice McCloud died December 22, 1947 at Wentworth, N. H., age 73 years, 7 months, 15 days. Born at North River, Canada, female, white. Name of Father Hanson Matthews. Name of Mother, Almena Adelaide Clement.

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

OLIVE M. BELYEA,

Town Clerk

FOREST FIRE PROBLEM SERIOUS

The year 1947 was one of the worst periods of drouth and forest fire occurrence in eastern United States history. Lack of water ruined crops, lowered water levels and dried up brooks everywhere. Three months of deficient rainfall and abnormally high temperatures resulted in many fires which were mostly well controlled and kept within bounds. Only the high winds beginning October 23rd caused a few fires to escape beyond immediate control. These few fires resulted in burning some 15,000 acres and the loss of 63 or more buildings in four New Hampshire towns.

All October fires were costly. They burned deeply in the ground and required day and night patrol of large crews of men until the rains came late in October. Towns which escaped from serious fire might easily have been in the midst of the most serious conflagrations we had.

Governor Dale closed the woods effective at midnight of October 15th. With the blow-up of October 23rd, a second proclamation closed all back roads and authorized towns to inaugurate patrol. The effect of this was to cut down subsequent fires for the rest of the dry period.

Local fire warden forces performed an admirable job to hold the more than 200 fires that occurred during this October period. Many men were taxed to the utmost as the emergency continued. To them and to all who did their work, the people of New Hampshire owe a debt of gratitude. The state forest fire control agency based on local town wardens and town crews wherever adequately equipped rose to the occasion and met the test in whatever town their services were needed.

It is now time to take stock of our fire fighting facilities for the season ahead and to make them adequate where necessary. To this end town fire plans and training programs for wardens, deputies and other key men in each district are being arranged or in progress. If equipment and tools are insufficient properly to equip the available manpower in each community with the right tools for the job, they should be provided for at once. The yearly addition of fire tools to the town supply will generally need to be built up. The state sells tools to the towns and shares one half their cost. Good equipment is important and can greatly help to keep both damage and fire cost at a minimum.

For many years we have requested our wardens not to issue burning permits except on rainy days. This regulation will be in effect again this year as it is one of the best means of assuring such fires from getting out of control. Nine out of every ten fires can be prevented, 98 percent of all fires being due to human carelessness. Be sure to get a permit for any fire in or near woodland when the ground is free from snow. Be sure your fires are always out before you leave them. Help us in getting the traveling public to keep from throwing out lighted matches or cigarettes. Be careful of all fires in or near woodland.

W. B. Codman, District Chief

1947 FIRE RECORD.

Number of fires	1
Acerae burned	40
Number of Fire Permits issued	none

